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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.21, please substitute for claims 3 and 9, the following rewritten version of the same claims, as amended and add new claims 13 and 14. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

3. **(Amended)** A terminal according to claim 1, wherein the intermittent operation includes not only the AFC operation but also operation stop of said portable radio terminal.

9. **(Amended)** A method according to claim 7, wherein the intermittent operation includes not only the AFC operation but also operation stop of a portable radio terminal.

Please add the following new claims:

13. **(New)** A terminal according to claim 2, wherein the intermittent operation includes not only the AFC operation but also operation stop of said portable radio terminal.

14. **(New)** A method according to claim 8, wherein the intermittent operation includes not only the AFC operation but also operation stop of a portable radio terminal.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments to Claims 3 and 9, and the addition of new Claims 13 and 14 be entered in order to avoid this application incurring a surcharge for the presence of one or more multiple dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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3. **(Amended)** A terminal according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein the intermittent operation includes not only the AFC operation but also operation stop of said portable radio terminal.

9. **(Amended)** A method according to claim 7 [or 8], wherein the intermittent operation includes not only the AFC operation but also operation stop of a portable radio terminal.